

PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD

A regular meeting of the Troy Parks and Recreation Advisory Board was held Thursday, April 8, 2004 at the Troy Community Center, room 503. Chairwoman, Kathleen Fejes called the meeting to order at 7:34 p.m.

Present:	Merrill Dixon, member	Ida Edmunds, member
	Kathleen Fejes, member	Stu Redpath, member
	Orestes Kaltsounis, member	Tom Krent, member
	Meaghan Kovacs, member	Jeff Stewart, member
	Stu Alderman, staff	Jeff Biegler, staff
	Carol K. Anderson, staff	

Absent: Doug Bordas, Amy Kerns, Jan Zikakis

Visitors: Lorie Swinson-Tuck, Jennifer Vleck, Trigger Craig, Michael Silverstein, Mark Vleck

Resolution # PR - 2004 - 04 - 006

Moved by Edmunds

Seconded by Stewart

RESOLVED, that the minutes from February 12, 2004 and March 29, 2004 are approved as submitted.

Yeas: All
Nays: None

MOTION CARRIED

A. Public Input - Members from the Troy Cowboys football team spoke regarding the difficulties practicing and playing on one field at Boulan Park and the desire to have a dedicated field developed. They have approximately 200 children participating in their football and cheerleading programs and they use the same field they practice on to play their games. They currently are trying a pilot program with the schools to use their football fields but would like to work out a plan for a field in one of the City's parks.

NEW BUSINESS

A. Golf Course Rates - The proposed rates for Sanctuary Lake Golf Course were reviewed. A letter from Len Bertin requesting a discount for disabled players was discussed. Additional information on Mr. Bertin's request will be presented at the next meeting.

RESOLUTION # 2004 - 04 - 007

Moved by: Redpath

Seconded by: Dixon

RESOLVED, to recommend that City Council approve the rates as proposed for Sanctuary Lake Golf Course.

Yes: All

No: None

MOTION CARRIED

B. Budget - The Parks and Recreation operating, Golf Course operating, Aquatic Center operating and the Capital budgets were reviewed and discussed.

RESOLUTION # 2004 - 04 - 008

Moved by Krent

Seconded by Stewart

RESOLVED, to recommend that City Council approve the budget as proposed.

Yes: All

No: None

MOTION CARRIED

OLD BUSINESS

A. City Council/Park Board Joint Meeting results - The City Manager assigned to City staff and the Park Board to look at dual use of cricket/soccer fields at Firefighters Park and the effect on recreation programs if 75% residency requirement is eliminated. No action was taken at this time, will discuss at future meetings.

Linear Park - Mr. Garrett is not interested in donating any property.

Member Comments:

Tom Krent - Tom spoke about the cricket issue and the Civic Center plan.

Ida Edmunds spoke about the relationship that the Parks and Recreation department and the Troy School district enjoy. There were 3738 hours that the Parks and Recreation department use of school facilities. The Troy School District will be renting their football fields to the Troy Cowboys for the actual costs and will be absorbing the overhead costs. There is a bond issue asking voters to consider a \$119 million bond for infrastructure improvements, technology and play structures at the elementary schools. Mrs. Edmunds encourages residents to vote on June 14.

Staff Reports

Directors Report - Teen activities were briefly discussed regarding difficulty in programming for this age group.

Recreation Report - Stu announced the Community Center had received the NOVA 7 award from Recreation Facility Management.

A new concessionaire has been contracted for the Parks and Aquatic Center.

Most summer hiring has been completed.

Season is underway for Lacrosse, Soccer, Baseball and Softball.

Parks Report - Seasonal employees have begun working.

Irrigation/landscaping on Big Beaver is to begin soon.

The restrooms in the parks are open.

Mowing contractors for medians have begun.

The meeting adjourned at 10:10 p.m.

Kathleen Fejes, Chairwoman

Mary Williams, Recording Secretary